

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

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BY TELEFACSIMILE AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

Re: Extensions of Time for Comment to "Treatment as a State" Applications of Fond du Lac and Boise Forte Bands of Chippewa

Dear Mr. Cool:

Yesterday, a representative of the Fond du Lac Band of Chippewa informed me that the Band declines to consent to a further extension of time for the State of Minnesota to comment on the Band's assertion of authority in its application for "Treatment as a State" for the Clean Water Act Section 303 water quality standards program. Accordingly, the State's comments to this application should be post-marked no later than September 1, 1995.

This morning, a representative of the Boise Forte Band informed me that it, too, declines to consent to an extension of time for the State to comment on the Band's assertion of authority in its application for "Treatment as a State" for the Clean Water Act Section 303 water quality standards program. Therefore, the State's comments to the Boise Forte Band's application are to be post-marked no later than September 16, 1995.

Thank you for your understanding in this matter. Both Bands are concerned that U.S. EPA be able to make determinations on their applications before September 30, the end of U.S. EPA's fiscal year.

If you have any questions or comments in this matter, please call me at 312-886-7948

Sincerely,

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